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SPECIFIC ACTION IN FAVOR OF LANDLOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
(AGENDA ITEM 56)

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, DEPARTMENT ASSUMES THAT, AS IN THE CASE OF THE SECOND
COMMITTEE VOTE, PLENARY ACTION WILL INVOLVE A SEPARATE VOTE
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ON OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6 ON THE RIGHT OF FREE ACCESS TO AND
FROM THE SEA (REQUESTED BY PAKISTAN) AND A VOTE ON THE
RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE (REQUESTED BY MALI ON BEHALF OF CO-
SPONSORS).

2. IN THE CASE OF OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6, DELEGATION SHOULD

MAINTAIN ITS ABSTENTION -- ASSUMING MOST OF THE OTHER 78 COUNTRIES WHO ABSTAINED (INCLUDING MOST WEOS) WILL MAINTAIN THEIR ABSTENTIONS ON THIS POINT. OUR INTEREST HERE IS TO MAINTAIN A POSITION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN THE SENSITIVE ISSUE BETWEEN LANDLOCKED AND CORRIDOR COUNTRIES IN THIS REGARD.

3. WITH RESPECT TO THE RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE, WE NOTE FROM REF B AND FROM SEIFMAN-POOLE TELECON DEC. 14 THAT, OF THE

FIVE OTHER WEOS WHO WERE AMONG THE 15 ABSTENTIONS, CANADA, IRELAND, AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND ARE LIKELY TO SWITCH AND TO JOIN THE REST OF THE EC-9 IN VOTING "YES", AND JAPAN IS UNDECIDED. THE REMAINDER WE GATHER WERE LDCS, PRESUMABLY CORRIDOR COUNTRIES AND THEIR SYMPATHIZERS. IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING -- AND IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE RESOLUTION AS ADOPTED IN COMMITTEE DID INCORPORATE AMENDED LANGUAGE TO CHANGE "SPECIAL MEASURES" TO "SPECIFIC ACTION" -- THE DELEGATION IS GIVEN THE DISCRETION TO SWITCH FROM AN ABSTENTION TO A "YES" ON THE RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE. ANOTHER FACTOR MILITATING IN FAVOR OF A "YES" IS THE FACT THAT WE PERFORCE HAD TO ABSTAIN ON THE OTHER RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE LANDLOCKED, I.E. ON THE SPECIAL FUND, WHILE WE JOINED THE CONSENSUS ON THE RESOLUTION ON "ACTION PROGRAM IN FAVOR OF DEVELOPING ISLAND COUNTRIES." IF THE DELEGATION DOES VOTE "YES", IT SHOULD MAKE A BRIEF EXPLANATION NOTING THE CHANGE IN OUR VOTE BUT STATING THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE LANGUAGE CHANGE NOTED ABOVE, THE POINTS MENTIONED IN OUR EXPLANATION BEFORE THE VOTE IN THE SECOND COMMITTEE ARE STILL UNCLASSIFIED

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APPLICABLE.

4. IF, ON THE OTHER HAND, NO VOTE IS CALLED, YOU MAY JOIN A CONSENSUS IN ADOPTING THE RESOLUTION. KISSINGER

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